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SUBJECT: FOREIGN ASSETS CONTROL-CUBA: SALE OF CO2

EQUIPMENT BY SUBSIDIARY OF U.S. COMPANY

REF: 76 MADRID 8125; 76 STATE 276797

1. REFERENCE MADRID MESSAGE REQUESTED ADVICE WITH REGARD APPLICATION OF CUBAN ASSETS CONTROL REGULATIONS TO PROPOSED SALE OF CO2 EQUIPMENT TO CUBA BY SPANISH SUBSIDIARY OF U.S. FIRM, LIQUID CARBONIC CORPORATION. AT THAT TIME THE SPANISH FIRM, LIQUID CARBONIC DE ESPANA, SA, WAS OWNED 64PER CENT BY US INTERESTS AND 36 PER CENT SPANISH.

2. A REPRESENTATIVE OF THE SPANISH FIRM, MR. SERGIO BARRIO, VISITED EMBASSY ON JUNE 16 AND INFORMED US THAT THE 1976 PROPOSED SALE HAD NEVER TAKEN PLACE. HOWEVER, IT APPEARS THAT THERE IS A GOOD POSSIBILITY AT PRESENT FOR SALES OF ABOUT \$3 MILLION WORTH OF CO2 EQUIPMENT TO CUBA. MR. BARRIO SAID THAT THE COMPANY IS STILL ABOUT 64PERCENT US OWNED, WITH ABOUT 20PERCENT OF THIS THROUGH A CANADIAN SUBSIDIARY. MR. BARRIO FURTHER EXPLAINED THAT THE PROPOSED SALE WOULD INVOLVE NO INPUT OF US-MANUFACTURED EQUIPMENT.

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3. ACTION REQUESTED: PLEASE ADVISE EMBASSY WHETHER SECTION 515.559 OF CUBAN ASSETS CONTROL REGULATIONS (OR OTHER EXPORT CONTROL REGULATIONS) WOULD BE APPLICABLE TO THIS PROPOSED SALE. BREMENT

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